

**RESTORATION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES (FUDS)
PROJECT FACT SHEET**

**REVISION 1: 15 SEPTEMBER 1995
TAG REVIEW DATE: 5 OCTOBER 1995**

1. SITE NAME: Pratt Ground Gunnery Range

SITE NUMBER: B07KS024500

LOCATION:

City: Pratt
County: Pratt
State: Kansas

PROJECT NUMBER: B07KS024501

CATEGORY: OE

INPRRAC: 4

ASR RAC: 4

TAG RAC: 5

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3. SITE DESCRIPTION: The Pratt Ground Gunnery Range is located about seven miles to the northwest of the city of Pratt, Kansas. It consists of about 2066 acres located on the Oren Berry Farm. The former range is mainly used for the grazing of

livestock and cropland. It's sandy soils were deposited by wind and has a topsoil layer that is generally 25 cm thick. It is brown or grayish brown fine sandy silty soil that is loose when both dry and moist. The hazard of wind erosion in these areas is severe if the soil surface is unprotected by cultivated crops or a natural prairie grass. The soil is excessively drained and the steeper slopes are also susceptible to water erosion if not properly covered. The soil permeability averages from .0014 to .0035 cm/s and the water capacity is .12.

4. SITE HISTORY: The Pratt Ground Gunnery Range is a subsidiary of the Pratt Army Air Field which was constructed between 1942 and 1943. The base handled B-17, B-26, and B-29 training for pilots, crews, and mechanics. The ground gunnery range was a Poorman Range used for ball-turret gunner training. From fixed turrets, mounted on concrete pads, gunners fired at mock planes moving on tracks located out in large fields. Nothing larger than .50 caliber machine gun ammunition would have been used at this range.

5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Pratt Ground Gunnery Range site consists of 2066 acres and was used for the training of ball-turret gunners. The guns were set up to fire at mock planes traveling along tracks out in large field. The Archives Search Report lists no major concern situated in this area; therefore, the total site will be considered as Area "A".

Area "A"

Size Acres:	2066 acres
Former Use:	Ground Gunnery Training Area
Present Use:	Grazing and Croplands
Probable End Use:	Same
Confirmed Ordnance:	No
Types:	N/A
Potential Ordnance:	No
Types:	N/A
Density:	None
Ordnance Depth:	None

6. CURRENT STATUS: The ASR was completed by the St. Louis District in September of 1994.

7. STRATEGY: Since there have been no significant findings of ordnance on this site, and the ammunition that was most likely used was .50 caliber ammunition, it is recommended that No Further Action be performed on this 2066 acre site.

8. ISSUES AND CONCERNS: There are known Federally and State threatened and endangered species occurring in the site area. An on site inspection by the appropriate state and federal personnel may be necessary to verify the presence,

absence or location of listed specie, or natural communities if remedial action is recommended as part of the final ASR. If any remedial action is deemed necessary by the TAG the St. Louis will be tasked to establish specific boundaries for each area.

9. SCHEDULE SUMMARY: NOFA

10. FUNDING /BUDGET SUMMARY: NOFA

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